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Report from Newchwang—Plague.

Vice and Deputy Consul-General Pontius reports, February 6, as follows:

Two new cases of plague have occurred since my last report, both fatal. One of the cases was a hospital nurse who contracted the disease in the hospital where the other patient was being treated.

The authorities have the disease well in hand. Newchwang has not been officially declared an infected port.

Reports from Shanghai—Inspection of vessels—Smallpox.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Ransom reports, February 20 and 27, as follows:

Week ended February 16, 1907. One supplemental and 2 original bills of health granted to 3 steamships; 3 vessels, 218 crew, and 12 steerage passengers inspected. Manifests viséed for 585 packages of freight; disinfected by steam, 180 packages of personal effects belonging to crew. Four packages of steerage passengers' effects disinfected with formalin. Certificates of vaccination issued to 63 crew and 2 steerage passengers.

The weekly report of the municipal health officer shows 1 death from smallpox. The disease has made its appearance among the foreign population to a noticeable degree.

No quarantinable disease was reported from outports. Plague is reported still prevalent at Newchwang.

Week ended February 23, 1907: One original and 2 supplemental bills of health granted to 3 steamships; 3 vessels, 490 crew, and 10 steerage passengers inspected and passed. Manifests viséed for 1,236 pieces of freight and 1 piece of steerage baggage disinfected. There were issued 63 certificates of vaccination to crew, and 1 alien for San Francisco per steamship *Doric* was examined and passed.

The weekly report of the municipal health officer shows 4 deaths from smallpox.

Smallpox still prevails to a considerable extent here, and as previously stated has made its appearance among the foreigners. No new cases are reported among the latter for the week just ended.

No official reports of quarantinable disease at outports have been received.

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Report from Limon, fruit port—Sanitary conditions good.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Goodman reports, March 24, as follows:

I have made a personal inspection of the town and find that the yards are remarkably clean and free of receptacles for stagnant water; the water barrels are not numerous and are screened.

The number of mosquitoes is very limited, and so far I have found no *Stegomyia*.

The shipping docks are free of mosquitoes and there is no exposed stagnant water on them.